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Georgia Association Urges State's U.S. Representatives To Oppose User Fee Proposal

In mid-February, the Georgia Business Aviation Association (GBAA) sent [a letter](#) to the state's 14 U.S. Representatives and both U.S. Senators urging them to reject the Obama administration's proposed \$100 per-flight user fee.

"General aviation continues to serve as an essential element of our national transportation system," David Small, GBAA Chairman, stated in the letter. He explained that the best way for the industry to contribute necessary revenues to the federal government would be through a per-gallon fuel tax, as the recent economic downturn has severely impacted the industry and "[t]he proposed per-flight tax would aggravate an already bad situation and cause irreparable damage to this vital industry."

The letter expressed general aviation's willingness to contribute to the national government in a fair and straightforward way. It is important for Congress and the administration to understand that general aviation businesses are eager to work with and educate them at every level of government on the industry's impact.